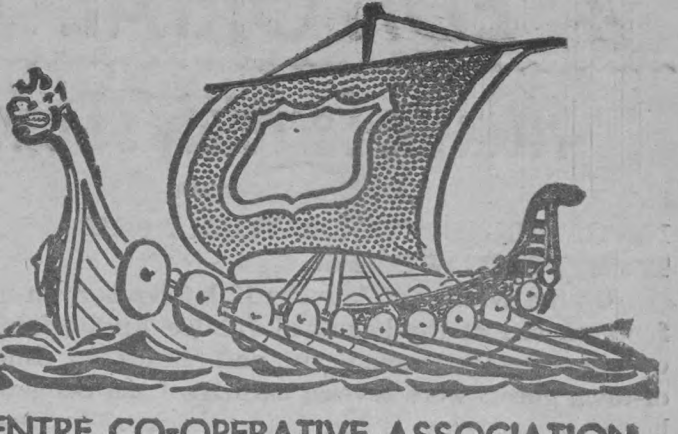




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Richard Larson, Norwegian Pioneer

It was a day in midsummer—August 13 to be exact—in the year 1909 when the whistling, lumbering, black locomotive with its line of mixed cars, passengers and freight, pulled into the station at Hardisty, Alberta. A tall, sturdy blonde boy of 15 jumped from a box car and started walking toward a passenger car where he spotted his mother getting off. Richard Larson and his mother had arrived, with all their worldly possessions, to begin a new life in Canada.

Mrs. Larson took up a homestead in a district south of Hardisty, Richard, being an only child, had to be the man of the place, and there was a lot of hard work. However, they had good neighbors and they were not all strangers, as many had come from the Dawson, Minnesota area where Richard was born, and where his parents had lived on their arrival from Flekkefjord, Norway.

Richard did all the farming at Hardisty. He drove three oxen behind the farm machinery for years, then finally acquired a horse. Crops were usually good and he was able to buy his first new car, a 490 Chevrolet in 1917. The following year, on December 31, he was married. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Larson carried on with the farm at Hardisty until 1924 when they bought a farm at Irma. They sold out again a few years later and bought a home in South Edmonton in 1938.

They joined Solgylt Lodge in 1942. Mr. Larson did not take an office within the lodge as he felt there were others more capable. During

FINNISH SOCIETY NOTES

The first meeting of the 1963 Board of Trustees will be held February 12th, commencing at 8 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Salomaa.

THANKS TO SEVEN BROTHERS (Seitsemän Veljesta)

To seven brothers this story is told,
To every one of them, young and old.
I want to thank you for so many things,
For the gift you gave me, I think you're darlings.
For the unselfish things you did, like coming to rehearse,
Each time like a clock you came with a lunch-bag or purse.
Everyone who saw you, wants to thank you on this page,
It was wonderful to see you performing on stage.
We hope to see more of you in the future some day,
So don't forget your blond wigs, we're shouting: "Hooray!"
—Aku.

Mrs. J. Rama recently visited her relatives in California.

Thanks to Mrs. J. Sahuri who was hostess of last month's sewing circle. The date of the next sewing circle will be announced later.

Recent visitors in Edmonton were: Mr. A. Pajja, Mr. P. Hietikko, and Mr. V. Nuojuva.

World War II other work demanded his attention, so he was not able to continue as a member. He served in the Royal Edmonton Reserve for 10 years, was Provincial Government Inspector, inspecting cattle brands for 22 years. He retired from this job 3 years ago. In 1952 Mr. Larson rejoined Sons of Norway.

For the past number of years during his membership in Solgylt Lodge, Mr. Larson has always served in a quiet behind-the-scenes capacity. At the Social functions, where heavy tables had to be lifted and set up, he was on hand to do it. When the coffee was to be served, he offered to do it; he worked in the kitchen at Lutfisk suppers; at

Margaret Decosse Delights Audience

Mrs. Margaret Decosse, from St. Paul, Alta. delighted the large audience at the Scandapades with her beautiful renditions in both English and Icelandic. The lovely old song "Droumaland" brought back memories of childhood to

Icelandic Social News

Mr. and Mrs. J. Longmore and family have left Edmonton and taken up residence in Winnipeg. This is the result of a promotion for Mr. Longmore who is employed by Colgate-Palmolive. Mrs. Longmore is the former Margaret Henrikson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Henrikson.

Mr. Sigurdur Sigurdson has taken up residence at the Senior Citizens Home in Wynyard, Sask. Mr. Sigurdson resided with his daughter, Mrs. Lamothe here in Edmonton for some time.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Orr on Nov. 6th, 1962, a son, Andrew, and a new brother for young Geoffrey. Proud Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Archie Orr, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Orr are spending the remainder of the winter in Vancouver, B.C. They expect to return to Edmonton in June.

SEEN AT SCANDINAVIAN NIGHT

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Gislason, Mrs. McNaughton, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Rosa Benedictson and Teddy Benedictson, Red Deer, Alta

RAY AND DOREEN NYROOS WINNERS

A Whist Drive was held by Vasa Lodge Skandia in Westwood Community Hall on January 16th. There were nine tables of players who had a very enjoyable evening. Doreen and Ray Nyroos won first prize for top score. Many friends extended best wishes and presented a birthday cake to Julius Hober on his 75th Birthday. Next whist drive will be held on February 20th at 8 p.m. in Westwood Community Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

out door picnics he supplied the wood from his farm for the bonfires. These are just a few of the many such odd jobs, but all so necessary for the success of any social function. This year, 1963, he has been elected to serve as Trustee. He spends his time with a married son on a farm near Morinville, and on occasion during the winter months visits his two oldest sons living in and near Hamilton, Ontario. He has five sons, and five grandchildren ranging in age from 2 to 12 years. These alone are enough to keep any retired man busy but he says that Sons of Norway is one of his favorite interests and he regularly serves it.

many. Mrs. Della Roland very ably accompanied Mrs. Decosse. Following the dance, members participating in Scandapades entertained Mrs. Decosse with a "duffe sopa" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Smith.

Also taking part in Scandapades were the members of the skit, "The Roof Fell in"—Mr. Jack Henrikson, Mrs. Audrey Benedikston, Mr. Gunnar Thorvaldson, Mrs. O. V. Gislason, Mrs. Freda Smith, Mr. Bill Halldorson and Mrs. Lil Sumarlidason.

Tauno Salomaa 1963 President

The annual meeting of the Finnish Society was held January 13th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Rama. There were only 18 members present. Elections were held with the results being as follows:

President, Mr. Tauno Salomaa, 9942-149th Street; Secretary, Mr. Onni Virtanen, 11515-92nd Street; Treasurer, Mrs. Sirkka Ristola, 5607-118th Avenue; Vice-President, Mr. John Sahuri, 16112-104th Avenue.

Mr. J. Sahuri was elected to collect membership fees.

Elected to the Board of Trustees were: Mr. J. Rama, Mr. and Mrs. R. Vesaniemi. The Board of Trustees also includes the other Executive members.

Substitute members elected to the Board of Trustees were: Mrs. Toini Virtanen and Mr. Matti Lehtiniemi.

The following people were elected to the entertainment committee: J. Sahuri, Mr. and Mrs. P. Utunen, Mr. and Mrs. R. Vesaniemi, T. Salomaa, V. Rastas, V. Leino, M. Lehtiniemi, and Mr. and Mrs. O. Virtanen.

Officers Installed January 11

Members and officers of Solgylt and Sunray Lodge, Sons of Norway, held their joint Installation of Officers night on Friday, January 11, at the Masonic Temple. They gathered at 7 p.m. to enjoy a scrumptious "pot-luck supper" with Lois Halberg as hostess. The buffet table held a most appetizing and varied array of food, which soon disappeared under the barrage of huge appetites. Following the supper the meeting was called to order. District Councillor, Knut Svidal, with the assistance of installing Marshals Ellen Engen and Edith Johnson, conducted the Joint Installations. The Drill Team, composed of eight ladies, Edith Johnson, Mary

Rikstad, Ellen Engen, Maisie Amdam, Alice Loughlin, Betty and Kay McKeivitt and Maxine Peterson, under the direction of Clara Lineham, performed a new drill in their usual style and precision. A showing of three short colored films was given by Ernest Johnson.

Vasa Social News

Hansine Pierre and Emma Krag are visiting with Lulu and Harold Lundgren in Winnieueg. They also attended a Vasa Lodge Meeting there on January 21st.

Don and Evelyn Johnson are holidaying in Florida and visiting Don's father, Mr. Emil Johnson, who is residing there for the winter.

Mrs. Martha Hokinson has returned to her home at Gibson's Landing, B.C., after visiting friends in Edmonton.

PAST PRESIDENTS' CLUB—The Past Presidents' Club held a meeting on January 13th at the home of Evelyn and Don Johnson.

CHILDREN'S CLUB—The Children's Club met on January 20th and plans are being made for the Spring Concert. Their next meeting will be held on February 17th at 2 p.m.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to the following persons who have been sick in hospital: Martha Dahl, Ed Petterson, Bill McMaster and Baby Jay Pearson.

VASA LADIES—The Vasa Ladies will hold their next meeting at the home of Mrs. Jean Anderson, 71091-106th Street on February 16th at 8 p.m.

DEATH—Theresa Marie Modin, wife of Mr. Oscar Modin, passed away on January 7, 1963. She is survived by her husband, two sons, Vern of Edmonton and Blaine of Montreal, and a sister, Mrs. W. E. (Grace) Sebert of Edmonton. Deepest sympathy is extended to her family.

Chance For Laughs

Again it is time for "Dania's" annual Masquerade on February 15. At this dance everybody has a good time. It is always fun to see people dressed in costumes, so don't miss a chance for some laughs. Come and bring some friends and all those who can, please come in costume; it is fun and there will be good prizes. Remember the date—Friday, February 15, at the South Side Legion.

Directors for the Ladies' Group were: Mrs. J. Rama, Mrs. J. Sahuri, Mrs. T. Salomaa, and Mrs. P. Utunen.

Elected representatives from the Finnish Society to the Cultural Committee of the Scandinavian Centre were: Mrs. J. Sahuri and Mrs. R. Vesaniemi.

Mrs. R. Vesaniemi was again elected Correspondence Secretary for the Scandinavian Centre News. Address: 12038-45th Street, phone: 474-4808.

Many thanks to Mr. J. Rama who served coffee to all the members after the meeting.

25-Year Pins Presented

The January 5th meeting of Vasa Lodge Skandia, found a good many members in attendance.

The Drill Team officiated for the installation of the following officers: Andy Ogren, Julius Hober, Bud Holmgren, Martha Kay, 1963 Auditors; Glen Eliasson, Cultural Leader.

Twenty-five year pins were presented to the following members: Martha Kay, Astrid Winquist, Anna and Otto Sund, Lillian Taylor and Harriet Nylen.

Mrs. Stonehocker of Lethbridge Lodge was a visitor at the meeting. Yearly reports were given by the various committees. Martha Kay has volunteered to mail copies of the Scandinavian Centre News to members who are not shareholders. A delicious lunch was served by the Vasa Ladies and a dance followed to Carl Elgstrand's Orchestra.

Next meeting will be held in the I.O.O.F. Temple at 7 p.m. on February 2nd. A dance will follow after the meeting and everyone is invited.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Next meeting for "Bikuben" will be February 18—the third Monday of the month. We are still looking for more members, all Danish ladies are welcome, the fee is only 25c per month. So come to our next meeting at 10029-85 Ave., at 8:00 p.m.

Norway will join Sweden and Denmark in a joint project to build a Kr. 2.1 million station at Rao, Sweden, to receive telecommunication satellite signals transmitted from USA.

EDITORIAL

From the Secretary's Desk

By S. A. Sorenson

NINTH ANNUAL SCANDINAVIAN NIGHT TREMENDOUS SUCCESS:

On the evening of January 19th friends from near and far gathered at the beautiful Jubilee Auditorium for an evening of entertainment, fun and fellowship. Among out-of-town guests were several carloads from Sedgewick, Alberta. In speaking to Mr. Leif Osback of Sedgewick, he described the evening as *tremendous*. He was especially impressed with the top talent featured in *Scandapades*, 1963 Edition.

Mr. K. L. Svidal, as Master of Ceremonies, did a tremendous job as he met the passengers coming off the imaginative plane into the airport terminal. The following is a list of the passengers, and how they entertained:

SCANDAPADES '63

OVERTURE—Lilly Taylor and the Scandapades Orchestra
INTRODUCTION—Knut L. Svidal

- HELLO EVERYBODY—Jim MacDonald; Joanne Nelson; Valerie Suvan.
 - DANISH GYM GROUP—Boys. Instructor. Mr. Otto Henriksen.
 - "BONDE" ORCHESTRA—Gil Erickson; Wally Heppner; Joe Lineham; Irene Hovde.
 - CARSTEN CARLSEN—Rings.
 - OLAF SVEEN—Accordian, "Repas Band March".
 - SIGVALD ARNEBERG and CLARA HOPLAND—Dance, "Springer".
 - KAJ HANSEN—Poetic Reading.
 - MISS ANINE JENSEN—Danish Songs: "I Danmark Er Jeg Fodt"; "Hvor Er Du Nu Kommet Fra".
 - CARSTEN CARLSEN—Free Exercise.
 - CRYSTAL MacDONALD FLEUTY—"Eventide"; "Hils Fra Mig Der Hjemme".
 - SWEDISH FOLK DANCERS—accompanied by Wayne Modin; Gottlands Quadrill; Frykdalls Polka.
Glen Eliasson; Audrey Eliasson; Peter Johnson; Pauline Johnson; Brian Johnson; Carol Engvall; Kenneth Peterson; Verna Kyarnberg.
 - FINNISH QUINTET—"Kesailan Valssi" (Summer Night).
Miss Sinikka Ristola; Mrs. S. Ristola; Miss Rita Nahkuri; Mrs. S. Vesaniemi; Miss Irja Rastas; Accordionist: Miss Ulla Vesalainen.
 - MARGARET DECOSSE—accompanied by Mrs. Rolland. "Droumaland" (My Land of Dreams), Ladies in Icelandic costume.
- (INTERMISSION)—
- FINNISH FOLK DANCES—Mr. and Mrs. J. Sahuri; Mr. and Mrs. R. Vesaniemi; Mr. and Mrs. O. Virtanen; Mr. and Mrs. Y. Jaakkola; Miss Irja Rastas; Seppo Salomaa; Accordionists: Miss Rita Nahkuri and Miss Ulla Vesalainen.
 - NORMAN PETTERSON, BOB CHAPUT—Pantomime.
 - CRYSTAL MacDONALD FLEUTY and JIM MacDONALD—"Strange Music" (from Greig's Song of Norway).
 - MRS. MINA MacDONALD—Guri.
 - MARGARET DECOSSE—"Say Ye Who Borrow (from The Marriage of Figaro).
 - ICELANDIC SKIT—"The Roof Fell In"; Hillbilly (South of Iceland); Real Little, Little Icelandic Theatre Group.
Jack Hendrickson—Pappy
Mrs. Freda Smith—Maw
Audrey Benediktson—Daisy Mae
O. V. Gislason—Our Hero, Newt Slade
Gunnar Thorvaldson—The Villain, Kimball Wright
Bill Halldorson—Narrator.
 - JUDY DOWNY and MARION McKINNON—Acrobatic Synchronized Routine (Carlsen's Gym).

SCANDAPADES ARRANGED AND DIRECTED BY
THE CULTURAL COMMITTEE OF THE SCANDINAVIAN CENTRE
Mr. K. L. Svidal
Mrs. M. MacDonald
Mrs. F. Smith
Mr. R. Sund
Mrs. A. Sahuri
Mrs. S. Vesaniemi
Mr. J. Godbersen
Mrs. L. Taylor
Mr. C. Elgstrand

SCANDAPADES ORCHESTRA:
Violins Ellen Larson Accordion Stan Poloway
Dorothea Johnson Guitar and John Jackson
Bert Owen Trumpet Wally Heppner
Frank Sorenson Saxophones Hugh Baker
Clarinet Gil Erickson

One of the chief purposes of the Scandinavian Centre is to promote cultural activities of a typically Scandinavian flavor. This year's Scandapades made a splendid contribution. We say "thank you" for the fine efforts of each and every one of you. And remember, you'll have an opportunity again to share your talent with us on January 18th, 1964.

JUNE 30 CHARTERED FLIGHT FILLED

Yes, the flight is full, and Mr. P. N. Christensen reports several on the waiting list. If the waiting list gets long enough, there may still be a possibility of a second flight next summer.

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Gay Night Life in Scandinavia

Winter nights in Scandinavia offer a combination of entertainment and hospitality whose special warmth has changed many a visitor's notion about the "off season" climate in these northern latitudes.

Scandinavian Airlines System reports from Montreal that because the night in winter begins earlier in Scandinavia than it does in Canada, Scandinavians may seem to pay considerable attention to making their nights brighter. This they do not only with the novel lighting effects of their downtown areas, but with a variety of light and serious entertainment unparalleled for its quality and international flavor. Thus, in addition to the notable talents of Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden, a random sampling of a winter week's floor shows finds Japanese dancers at famed Berns in Stockholm, a Latin-American group in Copenhagen's gay Atlantic Palace, an American jazz saxophonist at the Big Chief Jazz club in Oslo and an Italian dance orchestra in the luxurious Kaivohuone in Helsinki, where a swimming pool is used for the staging of water ballets.

Because even for the entertainers English is often the best way to communicate with the audience, the visitor finds language barriers melted away. The occasional exceptions are the topical revues featured in such popular spots as the Hamburger Bors in Stockholm, where the subtleties of the satire may escape you but the statuesque beauty of the chorus line won't. Some visitors hurdle the infrequent language barriers by having friends they've met under the various "Meet the Scandinavians" programs accompany them to the night spots and the theatres. This may require some stamina, since night clubs in Helsinki don't close until 3 a.m. or 4 a.m.; in Copenhagen, 35 clubs stay open until 5 a.m., when other restaurants open again for breakfast.

At concerts, the ballet or opera,

of course, one needs no interpreters, and Royal Danish Ballet, the Helsinki City Symphony, the Oslo Philharmonic and Stockholm's Royal Opera are but a few of Scandinavia's great winter-season attractions. Repertoires include both Scandinavian and foreign works, modern and classic. Since their programs rarely are announced more than a week ahead, and are subject to change, check the local newspaper during your visit. Your hotel desk clerk will do this for you and will order the tickets, too.

In the snow months, try a typically Scandinavian form of night life: skiing along floodlit trails within the city limits of Oslo or Stockholm. A 10-minute trolley or subway ride from the center of town brings you to ski territory. Local ski organizations will direct you to the right spots.

A total of more than \$87 million dollars in cash, commodities and services has been pledged for the World Food Program a joint project of the United Nations and the FAO. These were made at a pledging conference held at United Nations Headquarters in Sept., of 1962. Norway pledged 1,400,000 Norwegian Kroner, one third in convertible currency, the remainder in food. A total contribution over the three year period, subject to parliamentary approval to the value of 12 million Norwegian Kroner, about \$1.7 million.

A penal institution without walls, and where the inmates receive contractual wages and pay taxes like other citizens, will be tried out in Sweden beginning next spring. It is located at Tillberga west of Stockholm and includes a modern plant for the production of prefabricated house. Inmates may total 120. Only lawbreakers already known for good behavior and willingness to work will be accepted.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE

Scandinavian Centre Co-operative Association Limited

When: **TUESDAY, Feb. 12, 1963, 7:30 p.m.**

Where: **THE DEVLIN BANQUET ROOM in the McLeod Building,
100th Street and 101A Avenue**

- ★ REGISTRATION, 7:30 - 8.00 p.m.
 - ★ READING OF MINUTES OF LAST ANNUAL MEETING
 - ★ DIRECTORS' REPORTS
 - ★ AUDITOR'S REPORT
 - ★ BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES OR REPORTS
 - ★ NEW BUSINESS
 - ★ NOTICE OF MOTION TO INCREASE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FROM 11 TO 15 MEMBERS
 - ★ ELECTION OF FIVE DIRECTORS
- ★ ELECTION OF 1964 NOMINATING COMMITTEE AND AUDITOR
 - ★ SMORGASBORD AND ENTERTAINMENT

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BUFORD BY-LINES

More than 250 relatives and friends gathered to honour Mr. L. O. Anderson on the occasion of his 90th birthday recently, in the Glen Park Hall. Mr. Anderson is a real old-timer, having settled in this district over 60 years ago.

Get well wishes go out to two of our members, Nora Westermarck in the University Hospital, and Avis Pearson who has undergone surgery in the General Hospital.

Members of the Junior Vasa Lodge all attended the Ice Capades last Thursday evening, some of the parents providing transportation.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Modin entertained in the Calmar Legion Hall recently in honour of Floyd's father, Mr. Gust Modin, on his 70th birth-

day. A delicious turkey supper was enjoyed by the many relatives and friends present after which Gust was presented with a beautiful electric shaver. One couple in the crowd had a double reason to celebrate: it was Mr. and Mrs. Bertil Pearson's 26th Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. Harry Nacuk has been battling a bout of pneumonia. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Several district families motored to Edmonton last Saturday to attend the annual Scandapades held at the Jubilee Auditorium. They all report a most enjoyable evening.

Two new Norwegian stamps, in denominations of 50 and 90 ore will be issued on January 23 to mark the 150th anniversary of the birth of Camilla Collet, prominent author and fighter for women's rights.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1962

OPERATING STATEMENTS

FLIGHT FUND:

Receipts re passages	\$86,161.00
Interest	97.56
	<u>86,258.56</u>
Expenditures:	
Passages	\$82,615.75
Send-off parties	898.89
Secretarial services and supplies	159.27
Advertising	138.33
Insurance and bonding	100.00
Sundry expenses	78.18
Refund to passengers on flight one and two	719.12
	<u>84,709.54</u>
Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements	<u>\$ 1,549.02</u>

OPERATING FUND:

Net income from social activities	\$ 2,377.60
Expenses:	
Net cost of Scandinavian Centre News	\$ 883.59
Secretarial services and supplies	605.53
Printing and stationery	93.05
Postage	49.82
Audit fee	200.00
Insurance	158.30
Hall rent and lunches	81.63
	<u>2,071.92</u>
Net Profit	<u>\$ 305.68</u>

CAPITAL FUND:

Bank interest	\$ 2,184.70
Donations	50.00
	<u>2,234.70</u>
Net Profit	<u>\$ 2,234.70</u>

BALANCE SHEETS

ASSETS

FLIGHT FUND:

Cash in bank	\$ 6,899.02
	<u>\$ 6,899.02</u>

OPERATING FUND:

Cash in banks	\$ 1,555.12
Accounts receivable	358.95
	<u>1,914.07</u>
Less accounts payable	531.92
	<u>\$ 1,382.15</u>

CAPITAL FUND:

Cash in bank	\$71,387.74
Share subscriptions receivable	<u>\$12,831.50</u>
	<u>\$84,219.24</u>

LIABILITIES

Deposit from shareholders on future flights	\$ 5,350.00
Excess of receipts over disbursements re Christmas flight	1,549.02
	<u>\$ 6,899.02</u>

SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Surplus:	
Balance as of December 31, 1961	\$ 1,076.47
Net profit for the year ended December 31, 1962	305.68
	<u>\$ 1,382.15</u>

Share Capital:

Authorized: Unlimited number of shares
of \$50.00 each

Issued:

1,216 fully paid shares
322 partly paid shares

1,538 shares of \$50.00 each \$76,900.00

Surplus: Balance as of

December 31, 1961 \$ 5,084.54

Net profit for year ended

December 31, 1962 2,234.70

7,319.24

84,219.24

\$85,601.39

\$85,601.39

Approved:

K. L. SVIDAL, President

S. A. SORENSON, Secretary

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Shareholders of Scandinavian Centre Co-operative Association Limited

We have examined the balance sheets of Scandinavian Centre Co-operative Association Limited as of December 31, 1962 and the operating statements for the year ended on that date. Our examination included such tests of accounting records and other supporting evidence as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and the related operating statements present fairly the financial position of the Association as of December 31, 1962 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the previous year and as shown by the books of the Association.

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Skiing Pioneered By Scandinavians

The Edmonton Ski Club was founded by the Sons of Norway over 50 years ago and probably most of Alberta's Ski Clubs owe their origin to pioneers of Scandinavian descent.

There has literally been an explosion in the number of people taking up skiing and tows and lifts are opening up everywhere there is snow. In fact some areas are making their own snow. In addition to the competitive sports of Jumping and Cross Country racing we now have Downhill and Slalom racing. Although some of the new members who are older think that the Jumping and Cross Country are a little too adventuresome, the younger members take to them like a duck to water. Often if a jump is not provided, they make one of their own.

All tournaments including the junior ones are four-way events made up of downhill, Slalom, Jumping, and Cross Country. As a result of this rule, Alberta has produced some fine young jumpers and five of them were selected for Canada's Jumping team this year. They are: Gibson Scott, Edmonton Ski Club; Walter Thachuk, Edmonton Ski Club; Gordon Lund, Camrose Ski Club; Bill Jefferies, Jasper Ski Club and Bill Wonnocott, Banff Ski Runners.

Irvin Servold and Clarence Servold, formerly of the Camrose Ski Club and Franz Portman of Lake Louise, are to represent Canada on the Cross Country team.

Because of the great interest now taken in pleasure skiing, the clubs have been busy providing tows and snow machines. In some cases this has come about at considerable financial outlay. As a result of this, the so called Nordic events need more helpers.

Olas Hovind, the Nordic Technical Chairman at the Edmonton Ski Club, could use some help in teaching younger skiers to jump and to encourage them to train for Cross Country racing.

Irvin Servold and Johnny Maland have built a fine jump at Devon and have made their facilities open to all young jumpers in the area.

If you have any old Jumping Skis or Cross Country Skis, Olas Hovind could find good use for them.

A committee of the Sons of Norway have been formed to look into ways of promoting and helping out in Nordic events. Nordic training camps are held each Christmas and it is suggested that scholarships to these camps should be set up for young skiers.

Lucky Binnie, the Nordic Techni-

cal Chairman of the Canadian Amateur Ski Association, Alberta Division, says he is short of Jumping judges and Cross Country officials. If you are interested in taking your papers, get in touch with Lucky Binnie at Lucky's Downhill Shop here in Edmonton.

With the stress these days on fitness there has been a new interest in Cross Country Touring as well as racing. The Canadian Army is training a Biathlon team.

If you are interested in Nordic Skiing or have sons and daughters coming up, the many ski clubs in Alberta could use your help. Drop a note to Lucky Binnie, Canadian Amateur Ski Association, Alberta Division, Technical Chairman, Lucky's Downhill Shop, Edmonton.

Norway's population increased by about 30,000 during 1962 to reach 3, 655,000 as of January 1, 1963, according to provisional figures

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Gymnastic Team To Tour South America

Annual Scandinavian Night is over for another year, but as this is written the big event is tomorrow night. Our boys were busy training last Monday and I am sure they were looking forward to Their Night.

It is indeed very gratifying to see such enthusiasm as that displayed by our boys; it makes the future look bright for our particular kind of gymnastics. The gymnastics pro-

moted by the Dania Gymnastic Club are based on the idea that gymnastics are for everybody to enjoy & benefit from. This is the thing that is unique in the gymnastics started by the Swedish Per Henrik Ling, and later modified by the Danish Niels Buhk. They made gymnastics popular in Scandinavia in the way in which we hope to make them popular in Canada. Only when this is achieved can we really say that Canada is a nation of physically fit people. Gymnastics does not train just part of your body, but trains the whole body and trains it uniformly; in other words, our kind of gymnastics are meant to create a healthy body in which to house a healthy, sound mind, in as large a part of the population as is possible.

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forward to seeing their performance in April at the Old Timers' Cabin. Both girls' and boys' teams are a real pleasure to work with according to their instructors. We wish you men would learn to attend regularly—in that respect you could take a tip or two from your children or from the ladies.

We hear that Mr. Flensted Jensen is planning a tour along the American West Coast this summer; and Paul Clausen is putting a team together to go to South America this summer. At least two of the gymnasts from his visit here in '59 have been selected again.

Plans Made For Coming Year

The annual General Meeting of the Edmonton Icelandic Society was held Jan. 11, at Molson's Edmonton House. The attendance was disappointingly small, possibly due to the inclement weather. A complete review of the past year was given by committee heads. The following members are on the executive for the coming year:

President, Gunnar Thorvaldson; Vice-President, Don Shaw; Secretary, Lorraine Gislason; Treasurer, Bill Bachmann; Lunch Convener, Shirley Thorvaldson; Membership, Jack Henrickson; Cultural, Freda Smith; Phoning convener, Inga Bachmann; Sick Visiting, Margaret Cameron.

Plans were made for the coming year. Next month, Feb. 22nd, at 7:30, Molson's Edmonton House—Thoroblot—and this year it will consist of a Pot Luck supper. March

Solglyt Glimpses

We are sorry to report that Mr. G. Algot has been confined to the Misericordia Hospital for an indefinite period. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Sympathy goes out to Mrs. Conrad Olafson and family in the recent passing of husband and father, Mr. Conrad Olafson.

Mr. and Mrs. Halvor Johnson enjoyed Christmas and New Year's holidays with their son and family, grandson, and great-grandchildren, at Victoria, B.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Naverseth are basking in warmer sunshine in California. They say on January 7 the temperature was 81 above, and is usually 70 during the day. Their sightseeing trips have taken them to such places of interest as Disneyland, Hollywood and Santa Anita race track. Plans they had made for New Year's day included seeing the beautiful Pasadena Rose Bowl parade; however, the crowd was too large so they had to content themselves with watching it on TV. An estimated one and a half million people were on hand to view the event.

A box social and dance will be held at the Masonic Temple on Friday, February 15.

The new correspondent for Sons of Norway is Mrs. Ella Searl.

Mr. Kalmar Amdam of 10132 - 153 Street, phone HU 9-2404, Social Director to contact for advertisements.

Bikuben Still Needs Spares

"Bikuben's" Bowling teams are still going, but we are still short of "spares" and would like to hear from some Danish ladies who would like to be "spares" on Thursday nights. Please phone Mrs. Haas at GE 9-4637 after 5:00 p.m.

Bowling standings as of January 16th are as follows:

Ellen Clausen Team—Ellen Clausen high average, 174 and Agda Haas team—average, Ester Lobner,

152. As beginners we are doing fairly well.

Vasa Bowling

Winners for prize money bowl off in December were Alma Samuelson, Mary Pearson, Raul Nyroos and Willard Modin.

Winners of the first half of the league were Leonard Eliasson's Smorgasbords. Team players are: Leonard Eliasson, Matt Eliasson, Glen Eliasson, Audrey Eliasson and Mary Pearson. The second half of the league is now under way and winners of this half will play off Smorgasbord for the championship. Top team as of Jan. 18th is Leonard Eliasson's Smorgasbords.

Mrs. Amdam Elected

The January meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Sons of Norway, was held at the home of Ragna Sivertsen. Elections were held, and president for 1963 is Mrs. Maisie Amdam; secretary, Mrs. Helen Sather; assistant secretary, Ruth Hammerstad. Our next meeting is at the home of Ruth Hammerstad, at 9635-105 Street. Ladies — come and join us on Friday, February 1st.

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Some 150,000 woollen blankets, donated by Norwegians in an 8 day relief drive under auspices of the Norwegian Refugee Council, are now being distributed among refugees in Algeria. Cash donations of over Kr. 770,000 have been used to buy 10 million codliver pills for Algerian children.

Vikings Win First Half

The first half of the Sons of Norway 1962-63 bowling season was won by Vic Larson's 'Vikings' with team mates Norman Nilsen, Henry Logan, Muriel Meier and Mary Gulbrandson winning over Betty McKeivitt's Midnight Suns by one game. The other six teams were all close behind.

Norman Nilsen, Betty McKeivitt and Bernard Olafson still hold the high singles, triples and averages for the season.

Year-End Handball Standings

ALBERTA CONTINENTAL HANDBALL ASSOCIATION

MEN'S A DIVISION		Games	Won	Lost	Tied	Goals	Pts.
Team:							
Edmonton Freja A	.....	6	6	—	—	116:71	12:0
Olympia A 1	.....	7	6	1	—	141:94	12:2
Shamrocks A	.....	5	2	2	1	71:75	5:5
Olympia A 2	.....	5	1	4	—	63:72	2:8
Penhold A	.....	5	1	4	—	35:61	2:8
Red Deer A	.....	5	1	4	—	62:96	2:8
Vikings A	.....	3	—	2	1	47:63	1:5

MEN'S B DIVISION		Games	Won	Lost	Tied	Goals	Pts.
Olympia B 1	.....	4	4	—	—	79:27	8:0
Edmonton Freja B	....	3	2	1	—	47:24	4:2
Olympia B 2	.....	3	1	2	—	33:68	8:4
Vikings B	.....	1	—	1	—	4:15	0:2
Shamrocks B	.....	3	—	3	—	12:41	0:6

GIRLS' DIVISION		Games	Won	Lost	Tied	Goals	Pts.
Olympia A	.....	6	6	—	—	54:10	12:0
Shamrocks A	.....	4	3	1	—	49:14	6:2
Edmonton Freja A	.....	4	3	1	—	48:19	6:2
Red Deer A	.....	5	2	3	—	48:19	6:2
Edmonton Freja B	.....	4	1	3	—	9:27	2:6
Vikings B	.....	1	—	1	—	0:17	0:2
Vikings A	.....	2	—	2	—	4:23	0:4
Shamrocks B	.....	4	—	4	—	13:49	0:8

For further information regarding above standings, please contact Hans U. Meseck, Phone: CH 4-9164.

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